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Director
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5600 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
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Dear Mr. Director:

Re: Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1

Please bring about the prohibition of the slaughter of downed animals, and mandate that they be humanely cared for, in an expeditious manner either by euthanasia, or with veterinarian care.

They should not be forced, and dragged into slaughter houses, both because it is inhumane, but because they may have an illness which would be detrimental to the safety of the public's food.

There could even be the possibility that some of these sick animals have a form of the so called mad cow disease (BSE). It has already been seen in wild animals here, and should be investigated more thoroughly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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